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| For: | AUTOMATIC DEVICE FOR FINISHING AND CUTTING MULTIPLE OR SINGLE IMAGES ON PAPER AND OTHER GRAPHIC AND PHOTOGRAPHIC SUBSTRATES IN REEL OR SINGLE SHEETS | : Attorney Docket No. 6023-71 (MI/X13033) |

*Amendment to
Paper # 26***PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

The following Proposed Amendment and Discussion Points are being informally submitted for discussion during the February 11, 2003 telephone interview directed to the issues of patentability raised in the Office Action mailed November 18, 2002 (Paper Number 24).

CLAIMS**Proposed Amendment To Claim 1 - Clean Form**

1. (Five Times Amended) An automatic device for trimming and cutting at right angles paper and other graphic and photographic substrates (1) with a series of images (10) printed thereon and marked by boundary marks (M) comprising a preset sequence of white and black lines extending along an edge of each of said images (10) oriented at right angles to a feed direction of the substrate, each of the white and black lines having a size and an intensity, the automatic device comprising:

- at least a pair of rollers (2) for feeding the substrate;
- a first motor (3) driving the pair of rollers;